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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 6512

BILL NUMBER: HB 1303

NOTE PREPARED: Dec 17, 2008

BILL AMENDED:

SUBJECT: Exemption of Unencumbered Real Property From Tax Sales.

FIRST AUTHOR: Rep. Smith V

FIRST SPONSOR:

BILL STATUS: As Introduced

FUNDS AFFECTED: **GENERAL**
 DEDICATED
 FEDERAL

IMPACT: Local

Summary of Legislation: The bill provides that: (1) real property (other than real property classified as industrial property under the rules of the department of local government finance) may not be sold at a tax sale after June 30, 2009, and before July 1, 2010; and (2) penalties and costs relating to the tax sale are not due on the real property; if all delinquent taxes and special assessments on the real property are paid before the tax sale.

Effective Date: Upon passage.

Explanation of State Expenditures:

Explanation of State Revenues:

Explanation of Local Expenditures: *Auditors-* County auditors would be required to include in property delinquency notices information regarding the removal of property from a tax sale under the remedy described above. County auditors would be able to include this information within existing resources.

Tax Sales- If fewer tax sales were conducted as a result of this bill, there would be cost savings to county sheriffs.

Explanation of Local Revenues: *Tax Sales-* A person paying delinquent tax liens before time of sale would have cancelled all penalties, postage/publication costs, and directly attributable tax sale costs. County revenues would be reduced by the above amounts for each tax sale that would not occur during that 12-month period of time.

State Agencies Affected:

Local Agencies Affected: County auditors, sheriffs.

Information Sources:

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